

COUNCILMEMBER DONNA FRYE

City of San Diego Sixth District

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

May 20, 2010

TO:

Andrea Tevlin, Independent Budget Analyst

FROM:

Councilmember Donna Frye

SUBJECT: Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2011

For the purpose of discussion during the City Council's budget review process, below is a list of my priorities for the current budget discussions.

Specific Programs:

- Half-Million Dollar Phyllis Place Road Connection Study: The city should not be spending \$500,000 to fund a road connection study to benefit development projects in Mission Valley, while reducing funding for public safety services such as police and fire. These funds should be reallocated to help offset cuts to public safety services.
- Civilian Positions in the Police Department: Cutting civilian positions within the Police Department has a direct impact on sworn police officers' ability to be actively patrolling our neighborhoods. The PSO positions and police support staff are vital and need to be retained.
- Rolling Brown-Outs: The rolling brown-out plan implemented by the city in the December 2009 budget discussions should be reviewed to the maximum extent possible to determine if other funding is available to allow fire-life safety services to be fully restored.
- **DROP Neutrality Study:** Funding for the DROP neutrality study must be identified so that the study can move forward and the impact of the program on the city can be determined.
- Treasurer-Auditor Staff Positions: The six positions currently located in the City Treasurer's Revenue Audit Program should be consolidated into the office of the City Auditor.